

September 4, 2016



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Liturgical Schedule

(Changes in the schedule noted inside)

Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Closed 1:00 - 1:30 p.m. for lunch.

Sunday Mass Schedule Vigil Mass (Saturday): 4:30 p.m. 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.; Mass in the Extraordinary Form: 12:30 p.m.

Weekday Masses Monday, Tuesday and Thursday: 7:00 a.m. Wednesday: 6:00 p.m. (Mass in the Extraordinary Form) Friday: 8:30 a.m.

Adoration Tuesday 8:00 a.m. through Wednesday 5:00 p.m. Holy Hour: Wednesday 5:00 p.m.

Reconciliation Thursday: 5:30-6:30 p.m. Saturday: 3:00-4:00 p.m.

compassionate service.

St. Ann's

Parish Mission
St. Ann Parish seeks
the salvation of souls
through the redemption
of Jesus Christ as
revealed to us in and
through the divinely
instituted Holy
Catholic Church. We
invite all to receive
God's love as we give
of ourselves in

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN				
+ denotes deceased	Mass Intentions		Meetings & Events	
Sunday 4th	8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	+Bernard Lavery by Ann Lavery +Edna Navaroli by the Navaroli family Latin Our parish family	12 noon	Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel)
Monday 5th Labor Day	9:00 a.m.	+Edna Navaroli by the Navaroli family		Parish Office Closed
Tuesday 6th	7:00 a.m. Adoration	Intentions of Hanna Nobers by Cynthia & John Nobers begins at 8:00 a.m. (chapel)	10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Classrooms 1 in use Catholic Scripture Studies (Scout room) Royal Road (Gym) Mothering With Grace (Library) Legion of Mary (Conference room) Back of Café in use
Wednesday 7th	Adoration 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	n continues (chapel) Holy Hour Latin Intentions of Chris Lauer by the family	7:00 p.m.	Scouts Fraternus (Gym) Catholic Scripture Studies (Library)
Thursday 8th	7:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	+Deceased members of the Michael Doman family by Virginia Doman Confessions	10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Classroom 1 in use Choir/Schola (Church) School (Café) One thing in Three (Classrooms 1 & 2)
Friday 9th	8:30 a.m.	+Paul Beyer by Fr. Reid	9:00 a.m.	Catholic Classic Enrichment (All rooms Cry rooms & Loft)
Saturday 10th		NO Confessions NO 4:30 p.m. Mass	9:00 a.m.	Classrooms 1 & 2 in use
Sunday 11th	8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Intentions of the Tran-Nguyen family by Fr. Reid +Gordon L. Reid by Mary & Tim Sobus & family Latin Our parish family	12 noon 3:30 p.m.	Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) Italian Group (Café)



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Welcome to our parish family Stephen Joseph Liberto Fill us at daybreak with your kindness, that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days.
-- Psalm 90:14





Dear Parishioners,

Greetings from Indiana! I am home this weekend visiting with my family and enjoying a break from the heat. Please welcome our visiting missionary priest, Fr. Anthony Kowtiki, from the Diocese of Kurnool, India.

As was mentioned last Sunday, the **Eucharistic Congress** is upon us! The Congress will take place this Friday and Saturday (9 – 10 September 2016) at the Charlotte Convention Center. Like last year, the Congress will begin on Friday evening with Byzantine Vespers, which will be followed by a public Bible study on mercy led by Fr. Kauth. The Congress will continue on Saturday with a Eucharistic procession, holy hour, and talks from nationally-known

Catholic speakers. The Congress will conclude Saturday evening with a Mass offered by our bishop. There are also programs for children of all ages, as well as a track for Hispanic Catholics.

I strongly encourage you to come! If you would like more information, please visit the website at: http://www.goeucharist.com/. Please keep in mind that there will be no Saturday confessions or anticipated Mass on September 10, per our bishop's request, so that all priests can attend the closing Mass of the Congress. Our Masses on Sunday will be as usual.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) begins next week on Monday, 12 September 2016. RCIA is the preparatory process for anyone who wishes to become a Catholic. Our classes meet on Mondays from 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. in the Scout Room of the Allen Center until the end of April. Once again, I encourage any of you who have friends or loved ones who are interested in learning more about Catholicism to join our RCIA class. Simply call Marcy Rothe at 704-523-4641, ext. 221, to enroll.

Faith Formation classes will begin on Sunday, 18 September 2016. Registration for classes is the same day. Classes take place on Sundays in St. Ann's School between the 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses.

Lastly, don't forget that the **Carnival** will soon be upon us (24 September 2016)! This is always a great day for our parish, and it's a great way to practice stewardship by giving of your time, talent, and treasure! Come join us for all the fun. Details are in this bulletin.

Sincerely yours in Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Reid



Your Stewardship of Treasure

729 registered families

August 21, 2016 14,071.35 Weekly Budget: 15,384.62 YTD Total: 123,156.48 YTD Budget: 123,076.95 YTD Surplus/Deficit: 79.52

Loan Balance: 542,345.91

Give Electronically at www.StAnnCharlotte.org



Society 1

DIOCESAN School is back in session, and the DSA Educational Ministries are preparing to APPEAL 2016 provide many services for our parish catechists—faith formation, youth

ministry, lay ministry training all have an impact on our own parish! If you haven't made a DSA gift yet, you can do that online at www.charlottediocese.org/dsa.

2016 DSA

DSA Goal: 87,197.00 Pledged: 86,384.62 Received: 74,765.70 Assessment Balance: 12,431.30 Donors: 212

"Whatsover you do...i the theme for the 2016 Diocesan Support Appeal. Bishop Jugis asks each of us to prayerfully consider a gift to the DSA as a way of serving Christ through service to thousands of Catholics in western North Carolina.

Your September 2nd issue of the Catholic News Herald features articles and information on the Priests' Retirement and Benefits Collection. Please take the time to read these articles so that you can be better informed about the retirement and benefits plans. All registered families should soon receive information in the mail from Bishop Jugis.

Please respond generously to the second collection on September 17th-18th.

Priests Retirement:

Goal: 31,689.00 Received: 16,233,20 Due: 15,455.80

Let us begin with being a disciple—a follower of our Lord Jesus Christ. As members of the Church, Jesus calls us to be disciples. -- USC of Catholic Bishops

In today's Gospel Jesus lays out the demands of following him, the great cost of discipleship. St Vincent de Paul members witness God's love by embracing works of charity and justice. St. Vincent Consider joining us in serving the poor. de Paul

The Diocese of Charlotte is responding to the recent devastating flooding in Louisiana by collecting funds to be used to support disaster recovery efforts. Disasters such as this widespread flooding create a situation of human suffering that the victims cannot alleviate without assistance. The Catholic community of the Diocese of Charlotte is responding by collecting funds to be used in short-term and long-term relief and recovery efforts. A special collection will take place during Masses celebrated over weekend September 24th and 25th. If you wish to donate, please place your contributions in the specified collection next week, making checks payable to St. Ann Catholic *Church* and clearly marking the envelope for Disaster Relief. Thank you for your generosity.

Check out our website: StAnnCharlotte.org, and go to the prayers/devotion section under "Resources." Because of recent attacks on our religious freedoms we are encourage everyone to pray the "Prayer for Religious Liberty" with the recent attacks on our religious freedoms there are several prayers and novenas on the website.



Stewardship is not job-oriented or project-minded. It is a way of life for a lifetime.

Food Collections for the Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte Food Pantry are the first and third weekends of every month: The next collection weekends are **September** 3rd-4th and September 17th-18th and October 1st-2nd.

September 4, 2016 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time You are a part of the Church's family. Have you made the Church a part of your family? Consider making a bequest to our parish today.



Bulletin Deadline is 12 noon on:

Tuesday, Sept. 6th for Sunday, Sept. 11, 2016 Tuesday, Sept. 13th for Sunday, Sept. 18, 2016 Tuesday, Sept. 20th for Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016 Tuesday, Sept. 27th for Sunday, October 2, 2016

Endowments for St. Ann's Parish:

Did you know that we have an endowment for both our parish and our school? These funds, established in 1999 for the parish and 2000 for the school, are for the general and pastoral needs of our parish and school and were established through the generosity of donors in our parish. If you would like to learn more about our endowment funds and how you can make a contribution, contact Judy Smith in the Foundation for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charlotte at 704-370-3320 or at jmsmith@charlottediocese.org.

COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

This weekend, Fr. Anthony Kowtiki from the Diocese of Kurnool, India will be visiting our parish.

The Diocese of Kurnoot, India was created on the 12th of June 1967 as mission by the French Jesuits. The needs in our Mission Diocese: To construct a prayer hall/chapel. To promote education. To promote and support religious life and training. To monitor Catechism and Faith Formation. And to promote rural health and provide safe drinking water in the communities. *Please be generous with your offerings and donations on that weekend*.



Calling all Young Married and Engaged Couples to an evening of fun, faith, and fellowship on Friday, September 16th from 7:00-9:30pm in the St. Ann's café. Enjoy

appetizers/beverages, meet other young couples, and explore a hot topic in today's culture: "Does Marriage Matter?" from "The Beloved" Series (The Augustine Institute). Please RSVP to Great Marriages: tdsanc6@bellsouth.net.

Faith Formation for the upcoming year 2016-2017 begins soon. You must be an active member of the parish to sign-up for Faith Formation. Please pick up a registration form, schedule, and schedules for First Communion and Confirmation classes along with retreats information at the church office. The first class and registration will be Sunday, September 18th at 8:45 -10:30 a.m. at St. Ann School.

Wednesday, September 21st at 7:00 p.m. is the **First Communion** /**First Reconciliation parent meeting** with Fr. Reid and Sister Judy.

Thursday, September 22nd is the Confirmation parent meeting with Fr. Reid and Sister Judy.

ATTENTION SINGERS ~ Please contact Terese Rowe at 704-599-5725 rowetmj@bellsouth.net if you are ready to share your time and musical talent with the excellent, hardworking and inspiring St. Ann Music Ministry. Opportunities abound to sing both chant and polyphony. Just determine which Mass best suits your schedule and your needs. An ongoing weekly commitment is not required.

- 1. **10:30-Choir & Schola(s)** ~ Rehearsal Thursdays 7:00 p.m. + as needed + Sunday arrival 9:30 a.m.
- 2. **12:30-Choir & Schola(s)** ~ Rehearsals as needed + Sunday arrival 11:45 a.m.
- 3. **Boys' Choir**: NEW! ~ For boys age 9-15 only. Rehearsals as needed, TBD.
- 4. Cantate Domino Latin Choir ~ For girls age 9-17 only. Contact Sarah Carter at s.carter47@windstream.net to arrange an audition.



Stewardship Opportunity:
Donate Your Time, Talent, and
Treasure to our *Carnival*.
Saturday, September 24th!

We need **Donations** for *Bingo Prizes* for adults & children. We need **Donations** for *Silent*

Auction: goods, services and experiences: gift cards, Spa certificates, etc. Do you have a vacation home & donate a week or weekend stay? Do you have tickets to Panthers, Hornets, Knights and/or Checkers games? Do you have tickets to the Symphony, Ballet, the latest musical at Belk Theater and/or Community Theater? Donate them & support the Carnival's success. Calling all Bakers! Cookies, Cakes, Breads, Candies, any and all treats are needed for the Bake Sale during the carnival. We need your Arts & Crafts: knitting, paintings, all the fun things you make! Donate them. Books, books and more books! Yes we will have a book sale at the carnival.

Remember to sell your raffle tickets!

The **Carnival Volunteer** SignUpGenius: www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0544a8af29a4f94-carnival2.

General carnival question: contact Chris Brunhuber at 704-241-2577 or ccb43@earthlink.net.

Mark Your Calendar for Saturday, September 24th! The Carnival is Coming!



"Feed yourselves and Feed the homeless." St. Ann's Saturday at Hawthorne's Pizza, 4100 Carmel Rd, 28226, is Saturday, September 24th.

Please have dinner at Hawthorne's on the 24th, tell your server you are from St. Ann Catholic Church and the parish receives 15% of the sales. *All proceeds will support our Homeless Ministry at St. Ann's*.

The **Gaudium Musicae** Season Seven has been announced, details are on the website: www.StAnnCharlotte.org/Gaudium-

Gaudium USICAE The Joy of Music

Musicae-2/. Buy your Season Seven

Subscription tickets now: \$100 for families, \$40 for adults, \$25 for students. Single concert tickets are also available online and at the parish office. This is the best entertainment bargain in town! Volunteers and sponsors are needed; contact the parish office for details: 704-523-4641. **The**Concert dates are Sundays: October 23, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.; November 13, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.; February 26, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.;

and April 2, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

Adorers Needed! Please consider becoming an adorer Tuesdays 8:00 a.m.-Wednesdays 5:00 p.m. We need more volunteers! Call the parish office or contact Karen at rubbosgirl@carolina.rr.com.

St. Gerard's Meals Ministry. Mission: To pray for women who are pregnant or seeking to become pregnant. To provide free meals (cooked by parish volunteers) for women who have recently given birth. If you wish to receive prayers concerning pregnancy or to receive meals when you give birth or if you are available to cook meals occasionally throughout the year, please contact Katherine Lauer at 704-447-7322 or katherinetlauer@gmail.com.

Good St. Gerard, powerful intercessor before the throne of God, pray for us.

All men of the parish interested in the **Knights of Columbus**, leave your name and contact information at the parish office.

Fidelis, for young ladies in middle and high school, meets Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in classrooms 1 and 2. We will begin meeting on Wednesday, September 7th, to celebrate the Birthday of our Lady. Contact the Daughters of the Virgin Mother, <u>dvmfidelis@gmail.com</u>, for information. Contact Mrs. Angela Williams, angiegirl67@yahoo.com, to register.

The World Rosary meets Mondays at 5:30 p.m. in the Chapel. All are invited.

Prayer cards of our Statues are available in the North Vestibule. A donation of \$0.50 per card.

Fellow Brothers and Sisters in Christ: Our Blessed Mother wants active and auxiliary members to join her Legion. Assist in waging war against the enemy by winning souls for the Crucified Christ! Join a nearly 100-year-old lay apostolate movement founded on a profound devotion to Our Lady. Our Lady of Fatima praesidium will meet Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Allen Center this week. Contact Eve Smith email evesmith 1974@yahoo.com or phone: 704-280-4850.

PRO-LIFE MINISTRY

Join us every Sunday at 12 noon in the chapel for the Respect Life Rosary. All are welcome.

Questions about the St. Ann's Pro-Life Ministry, contact Andy Zorichak at azorichak@yahoo.com.

The Gospel of Luke: The Gospel of Mercy. Two studies will be at St. Ann's Parish: Wednesday, September 14th from 7:00–8:30 p.m. in the Library through February 1st and Thursday, September 15th 10:00–11:30 a.m. in the Scout room through Thursday, February 2^{nd} . If you have other questions, please email Heidi Clark, hclark12@carolina.rr.com.

"Divine Mercy, The Second Greatest Story Ever Told". We begin our study September 15th at 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday evenings through November 17th.

Mothering With Grace each month from 7:00-



8:30 p.m. in the Allen Center library (2nd floor). Childcare is not available, but infants are always welcome. Our next meeting is Tuesday, September 6th. Email Frances Liberto or April Buehler at stannMWG@gmail.com. For ministry details visit www.motheringwithgrace.org.

The men of the Latin Mass Community at St. Ann's organize a men's fellowship called Liturgy & Fraternity most 3rd Wednesdays. The next one will be September 21st. Mass is at 6:00 p.m. at St. Ann's, and then head over to nearby Sir Edmond Halley's pub for a drink or dinner immediately after. All men of the parish are invited to join us. Contact Chris Lauer at info@charlottelatinmass.org.

Online resources available to every member of our parish through a new program called *Formed*. This website includes a variety of free resources, including books, movies, podcasts, etc. for people of all ages. Go to: www.formed.org and click on "Find Out More" at the bottom of the homepage. Enter Our parish code: Y6ZQ8M, to get access to the resources. Call the parish office with questions. Once you've logged in, create your personal profile and access the programs. Our parish is paying an annual fee for this service, so please make use of this terrific resource!

Holy Family Playgroup: Building relationships with mothers and children of all ages in the parish, provides support and a catholic environment for socialization and play. Playtime is usually Friday after the 8:30 a.m. Mass at various locations during the school year. Questions? Call Melissa Lewis at 704-287-8112 subscribe to our group at holyfamilyplaygroup-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.

Babysitting will be offered the last Thursday of each month during confession times from 5:30-6:30 p.m. by Melissa Lewis. Call Melissa at 704-287-8112 or email her at mmlewis28@yahoo.com.

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN



for ... Our parishioners: Jeanne
Goymerac, Abby Lejk,
Patricia Phillips, Ben
Conrad, Larry Guethlein, and
Helen Norton.

Our friends and family: Ron York (brother-in-law of Carol Kuhn), Virginia Hannigan (mother of Jan Colin), William Sirignano (grandfather of Aaron Condon), Jennifer Arnold and Mary Regester (friends of Nancy Tota), Tom Storer, Janet Cuccinello, Grace Portigue (daughter of Barbara Meskill), Peggy Ballew (sister of Gerri Hillis), and Douglas Edge.

Our servicemen and servicewomen: Lance Corporal Joseph Fanning USMC, PFC John Michael Fanning USMC, Lt. Grace Carlson, USN. Lt. Drew Carlson, USMC., Ensign Hayley Derscheid, Petty Officer 2nd Class Jeffrey Derscheid, LT. Charlie Hetzel USN, Ensign Thomas Hetzel USN, and Cadet Peter Hetzel 2nd Class USMA.

Do You Like To Pray? Or, are you in need of prayer? Receive the comfort of others praying for and with you by joining the **St. Ann Prayer Group**. This group consists of volunteers filled with the love of God and the love of prayer. In Jesus name they pray for healings, conversions, whatever the need. Pray in your home, at Mass, at Adoration, or any place you are at peace. For more information or if you would like to join, cal Nancy Picciola at 803-389-5530 or email <u>stannpray ers@comporium.net</u>.

Do you love Jesus? Do you want to learn how to love Him more deeply? Do you want Him to transform your life and the lives of your family and friends? Read His Word every day. The daily Mass readings are the very voice of God speaking to us. Meditate on His Word for just 15 minutes with the help of our *One Bread One Body* booklets, a guide to the daily Scriptures found in the North Vestibule with other helpful resources.



September: Mother Teresa Month: In honor of her canonization on September 4th, our parish will be

celebrating 'Mother Teresa Month' throughout September. All parishioners are encouraged to watch the inspiring movie of her life FREE with our parish subscription to Formed. Join us as our parish family learns about this great saint whose work among the poorest of the poor in Calcutta won her the Nobel Peace Prize. The many small miracles, great charity and humble triumphs of Mother Teresa will inspire us all. (CD, Book & FORMED) \$3 donation per CD will help to bring in more of these great talks on the Beauty of the Catholic Faith. Go to:

www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org/cdclub and enter code: 33769.

LATIN MASS CORNER

Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form) Calendar for the Week of September 4th-September 11th
St. Ann's offers the Latin Mass on Sundays at

September 4th	16th Sunday after Pentecost - 2nd class
September 5th	St. Lawrence Justinian - 3rd class
September 6th	Feria - 4th class
September 7th	Feria - 4th class
September 8th	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary - 2nd class
September 9th	Feria - 4th class or St. Gorgonius - 4th class (USA) St. Peter Claver - 3rd class
September 10th	St. Nicholas of Tolentino - 3rd class
September 11th	17th Sunday after Pentecost - 2nd class

12:30 pm, Wednesdays at 6 pm, and on select feast days. The Latin Mass has a different liturgical calendar and readings than the Novus Ordo (English) Mass. Any Mass schedule changes will be listed on Page 2 of the bulletin.

Latin Mass Q&A

What do the Classes in the above calendar mean? The Class is the level of importance or solemnity (1st-4th) associated with that day's Saint or commemoration. A 1st Class Feast Day are all Sundays and major solemnities like Christmas, or the Immaculate Conception, etc.

Questions? Email
charlottelatinmasscommunity@gmail.com.

Latin Mass Classes now online: St. Ann's has posted the recordings of both Latin Mass classes on the website with accompanying handouts. If you missed a class or want to watch again, visit www.StAnnCharlotte.org and view the Latin Mass section, and scroll to the Latin Mass class. Both the Latin Mass Introduction class and the Sacred Music class are included. For questions regarding future classes, please contact Chris Lauer or Mike FitzGerald at info@charlottelatinmass.org.

Let your Catholic Voice be heard. Join Catholic Voice North Carolina, <u>Catholic Voicenc.org</u>. Receive email alerts from the Bishops and react to legislation that impacts the Catholic faith. Catholic Voice NC is the non-partisan public policy voice of Bishop Michael F. Burbidge of the Diocese of Raleigh and Bishop Peter J. Jugis of the Diocese of Charlotte. This message has been approved by both bishops. Direct questions to David Hains, dwhains@charlottediocese.org, 704-370-3336.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

St. Ann Home School Group liaison is Katherine Lauer. To contact Katherine for information on Home School <u>katherinetlauer@gmail.com</u>.

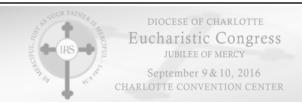
The Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools (MACS) are accepting applications for new students for the 2016-2017 school year at all schools and for all grades. Visit the MACS website at www.macs-schools.com/macs/admissions/applications for applications and more admissions information. For school locations and additional information, call the MACS Admissions Office at 704-370-3273 or visit our website www.macs-schools.com.

Support St. Ann School! Link your *Harris Teeter VIC Card* to St. Ann School #1931 at the register or by calling 1-800-432-6111. St. Ann also earns 1% on purchases made with a Target Debit or Credit Red Card. Link yours on the Take Charge of Education website www.target.com/tcoe.

Register for Preschool Now! St. Vincent de Paul Preschool still has room for 2- and 3-year-old children in our faith-based, half day program for the 2016-2017 school year. For information contact Mary Helen or Sonya at mhcushing@charlottediocese.org or 704-644-4656.

YOUNG ADULTS

Diocese of Charlotte Young Adult Ministry invites college students to connect with Diocesan Sponsored Catholic Campus Ministry. There are Catholic Campus Ministry programs at over ten colleges in our diocese. Check out www.catholiconcampus.com to see what's available. Contact Sister Eileen Spanier, GNSH at espangnsh@aol.com 704-717-7104 or Mary Wright, Director of Campus and Young Adult Ministry.



SAVE THE DATE! Our Charlotte Diocese Eucharistic Congress will take place on Friday and Saturday, September 9th & 10th. This spiritually unifying event brings together thousands of Catholics from across the diocese and southeast for spiritual talks, music, prayer, and fellowship - all centered around the Most Blessed Sacrament. All ages welcome!

MARRIAGE & NFP INFORMATION

Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreats create a healing environment of prayer and forgiveness. The retreat works to reconnect individuals to themselves, their friends, and their families and to realize God's ever present love. Next retreat is in Asheville September 16th –18th. Contact: Jennifer Ganser: 336-209-2161 / jmganser@charlottediocese.org or Shelley Glanton: 828-230-4940 / sglan1234@aol.com.

Couple to Couple League: Sympto-Thermal Method. All classes are Saturdays from 9:00 a.m.—12 noon at the Hack home, in North Charlotte. Certified Sympto-Thermal Method teaching couple will help couples naturally plan for family growth in a safe, effective manner, within the Church's teaching. Sign up on-line and purchase class materials at www.ccli.org. Scholarships are available. Postpartum and Premenopause transition classes are also available upon request. Contact Joe and Kathy Hack for more information at 704-548-1834 or hackhouse@bellsouth.net.

A FREE Natural Family Planning (NFP) Full Course (with intro.) Topics to be covered include: Effectiveness of modern NFP methods, Health risks of popular contraceptives, Benefits of NFP - health, relational, and spiritual, Church teaching on marital sexuality, and...how to use NFP. Saturday, September 17th a free family planning class will be offered at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Newton. For information, go to ccdoc.org/nfp or to RSVP, contact: Batrice Adcock, MSN, at Catholic Charities 704-370-3230 or bnadcock@charlottediocese.org. Information Link: http://ccdoc.org/events/

Teams of Our Lady www.teamsofourlady.org, is an international movement of small groups of married couples around the diocese. If you're interested in a great opportunity to grow in your relationship with Christ and your spouse, contact Tom and Danielle Mathis at 704-541-0858 or mathis3@me.com.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends are September 30th-October 2nd in Myrtle Beach, SC and November 4th-6th, in Atlantic Beach, NC. For information call 704-315-2144 or visit our website at: http://NCMarriageDiscovery.org or contact us at applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org.

Stress in Your Marriage? **Retrouvaille** is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation. This program has helped many couples experiencing such difficulties. For information or to apply for the program beginning on **September 16**th call 800-470-2230 or email: retrouvaillenc@msn.com or visit the website at www.retrouvaille.org.

EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

All St. Ann's women are invited to attend the **Charlotte Catholic Women's Group** Fall Reflection & Luncheon on **Monday, September 12**th. Mass at the Cathedral of St. Patrick begins at 9am with reflection and luncheon to follow. Our guest speaker is Fr. Roux. This event is free for members and a \$10 requested donation for non-members. Registration for the event is on our website: www.charlottecatholicwomensgroup.org. Signup for our newsletter. Find us on Facebook and Twitter for event information.

Symposium on Conversion: Open to all parishioners. September 24th the RCIA Commission will hold a *Symposium on Conversion* at St. Mark's Catholic Church in Huntersville. Noted national speakers will delve into the Theological, Biblical and Pastoral aspects of Conversion. Also included will be "conversion stories" from a former Buddhist, a Jewish man, an atheist and a woman who is now a cloistered Poor Clare nun. Everybody is invited. \$25 Registration includes lunch. The day begins at 8:30 a.m. concluding at 3:00 p.m. To register, call 704 370-3244 or e-mail paonaindia@charlottediocese.org.

St Peter Catholic Church hosts the 21st annual **Garden of Eaten** before one o'clock Carolina Panthers games in front of the church starting September 18th. Welcome to another season of football, hot dogs and fun! For a small donation, hot dogs, chips and sodas are available beginning at 9:30 a.m. in our "Garden of Eaten" café – proceeds go to non-profit organizations helping the neediest in our community. St Peter Catholic Church is the Jesuit church in the Charlotte's center city. **September 18th - 49ers v Panthers**, **September 25th - Vikings v Panthers**, **November 13th - Chiefs v Panthers, December 11th - Chargers v Panthers, December 24th - Falcons v Panthers**. All are one o'clock Sunday games, except December 24 which is on Saturday. Go Panthers! This year is our Super Bowl! Thanks for your many seasons of commitment that continues to make St Peter's. "The Garden of Eaten" a major part of the uptown game day!

St. Thomas Aquinas Columbiettes #10505 4th Annual Christmas Vendor-Craft Fair on **Saturday**, **November 5th from 9:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m. in Aquinas Hall**. For vendor contact: columbiettes10505@gmail.com

Our Young at Heart Ministry at St. Mark Catholic Church announced their Alzheimer's Respite Ministry. Meets every Monday 1:00–4:00 p.m. at St. Mark Catholic Church in room 200, the Kerin Family Center. For importation call Janet Urban at 704-948-3558 or jgraceart@yahoo.com.

Well-Read Mom Group Forming Now: You are invited to learn about a local Well-Read Mom forming in this area. The goal is to provide a monthly structure for reading high quality literature and grow in friendship in the process. The year includes great books, spiritual classics (during Advent and Lent), worthy reads, poetry and selected essays from the Catholic and Western Tradition. The book are selected in a way that work with the rhythm of a woman's life. Not exclusively for Mothers. Contact Sarah Doll at 360-334-2631, or cysdoll@yahoo.com for meeting place and time (starting this month!) or visit wellreadmom.com for more information.

St. Thomas Aquinas Bingo is held every Monday evening starting at 7:00 p.m. For information call 704-549-1607.

Diocesan Anniversary Celebration- If you are celebrating your Silver or Golden Wedding Anniversary this year, this is the last week to contact our church office if you wish to be included in the celebration. The Mass will be held on Sunday, November 6th at St. John Neumann Catholic Church. Mass begins at 2:00 p.m. and will be followed by a reception. Names must be in this week, so don't delay, call today!

There will be a supply drive for **On Eagles Wings Ministries** before each mass the first weekend of **October (1st - 2nd)**. The ministry is in great need right now to keep giving these girls a chance of recovery and a safe place to start over. Supplies needed are: dry goods for the pantry, laundry detergent, dryer sheets, shampoo and conditioner, deodorant, toilet paper, paper towels, paper plates and soap. If you would like to donate a gift card for Walmart or Food Lion please contact Colleen Dreyer at <u>colleendreyer@gmail.com</u> and she will arrange to be there to collect it in person. Financial donations can also be made at <u>www.oneagleswingsministries.org</u>.

MiraVia, a non-profit, Catholic maternity and after-care program, cordially invites you to attend its 22nd Annual Fundraising Banquet, "Gifts of Mercy," on Thursday, October 20th in the Crown Ball Room at the Charlotte Convention Center. We welcome guest speaker, Kerri Caviezel, a teacher, coach, and passionate pro-life advocate who has devoted her life to working with youth and spreading the pro-life message. With her teaching experience, speaking on issues concerning the Sanctity of Life became a natural outgrowth to spread a preventative message of help, hope, and truth through conferences and other venues around the globe. To host a table of 8, to make a reservation or for more information, please contact Danielle Mathis at tmathis3@me.com.

Reservations are free, but REOUIRED. Reserve your seat by October 10th at www.miraviabanquet22.eventbrite.com.

Pilgrimage to Poland in the Year of Mercy: Diocese of Charlotte and Fr. Christopher Roux October 30 - November 6, 2016. Join Fr. Christopher Roux on a Year of Mercy Pilgrimage to Poland in the Footsteps of St. Faustina and St. John Paul II. This affordable 8-day pilgrimage to includes roundtrip airfare from Charlotte to Poland, daily Mass at Catholic sites, a professional Catholic Polish tour escort. Call Corporate Travel Service at 313-565-8888 x 121 or 150 or visit us online at ctscentral.net for more details or reservations.

Do you feel called to be a deacon? Are you interested in learning more about the process of becoming a deacon? If so, please email Deacon Scott D. Gilfillan, the Director of Diaconate Formation for the Diocese of Charlotte, at sdgilfillan@charlottediocese.org. He will be glad to explain the process and answer any questions you may have. There are also some important cut-off dates approaching, so the sooner you make

Charlotte Lay Dominicans: You are invited to consider joining us on our journey to God in the footsteps of St. Dominic de Guzman as lay Third Order members of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans). The Four Pillars of the Dominican Order are: Prayer, Study, Community, and Apostolate. Fr. Matthew Kauth is our Spiritual Advisor. We meet each month at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Charlotte. Visit our website for more information on the Dominican charism and how to contact us: charlottelaydominicans.org.

REMINDERS

Low gluten hosts are available at Holy Communion for those who need them. To receive a low gluten host, go to the eagle lectern after everyone else has received Holy Communion.

Let's be Social! Follow @StAnnCharlotte on:









If you are approached by panhandlers on the church campus, **please do not give them money**. Instead, direct them to the parish office for financial assistance. We have the St. Vincent de Paul Society to help those in need. Thank you!

33 Hours of Adoration. Adoration begins
Tuesdays at 8:00 a.m. through Wednesdays at 5:00
p.m. in the chapel. All are welcome. Adorers: please
share your contact information with those who adore
during your Adoration hour. If you can't make it,
call the others to make sure someone is visiting Our
Lord during that hour. It is your responsibility to get
a replacement when you will not be able to do your
Adoration hour.

IN OUR COMMUNITY

A televised Sunday Mass is now airing on ABC Family from 6:30-7:00 a.m. Sunday mornings. Call 800-THE-MASS or www.TheSundayMass.org.

The Airport Chaplaincy at Charlotte Douglas Airport offers two Masses on Sunday 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. held in the auditorium on the upper level of the main terminal above the Carolina Pit BBQ. *It is open 5:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.*



To book a room in the Allen Center, call Savas Mallos at 704-523-4641 x233.

Please to be mindful of our Lord's presence whenever you are in the church. Making sure to genuflect whenever you pass before the tabernacle, maintaining a prayerful silence in the church, dressing modestly and silencing cell phones are practices that we would all do well to follow—not simply out of respect for our Lord, but for the benefit of our fellow parishioners as well.

As you come into the church, please keep in mind that we have several parishioners and visitors with walkers and canes that would like to sit in the back by the baptismal font so the walk from their cars is not too far! Also make sure to lock your cars and trucks. Either keep your personal items with you in church or lock them in your trunk. *This is for your safety*.

To All Parents with Infants and Small Children

One of the most beautiful blessings of our Parish is that we have so many babies and small kids! While all children are <u>most welcome</u> in the church, please keep in mind that the acoustics in our church are excellent, which means that their voices carry. If your children cry or scream during the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, please be sensitive to those around you by taking your child to one of our cry rooms. The cry rooms are reserved for families with small children. Everyone else is requested to sit in the church.

To those in the Cry Rooms for Mass

Please remember that these rooms are an extension of the church itself. Therefore, please be as reverent as possible during Mass. These rooms exist to help you train your children how to attend Mass properly; thus, they should not be used as play rooms. While everyone who uses the cry rooms expects them to be a bit noisier than the church, disruptive games or toys are better left at home. Moreover, conversations in the cry rooms should be kept to a minimum during Mass. *Thank you for your consideration.*

Outdoor Speakers

We have outdoor speakers for those whose small children are too loud for the cry rooms or narthex. Please be considerate of your fellow parishioners if your children are making a lot of noise.